



October 12, 2020

Warren Ontiveros
County of Los Angeles
Department of Beaches and Harbors
13403 Fiji Way
Marina Del Rey, CA 90292

RE: Re-Assessment of VM-29 at Via Marina, As Needed Services

Dear Mr. Ontiveros

Thank you for contracting with Davey Resource Group (DRG) for your arboricultural needs. In support of your objectives, DRG is pleased to provide you with the following summary of tree VM-29 located on Via Marina. Since the tree was part of a previous assessment, only current photographs were used in the resulting recommendations. This report can be used to make informed decisions regarding planning and mitigation for the tree. The re-assessment of one *Erythrina caffra* tree (VM-29) determined the following:

- An original tree risk assessment was conducted in July 2020 and the tree presented with a history of failures. Tree was leaning, with a poor root system on the tension side, and the site has signs of recent disturbance. No significant root plate lifting was evident at that time (Photo 1) and, based on potential targets, previous mitigation recommendations included end weight reduction and structural pruning.
- Recent photographic evidence show a dramatic change in the structural stability of the tree, including soil heave, root plate lifting, and increased lean (Photo 2)

Based on recent changes to the tree's condition and stability, mitigation recommendations for VM-29 is to remove the tree and eliminate the risk of failure.

Sincerely,

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Photo 1: July 2020 showing previous root pruning with minimal lift



Photo 2: September 2020 showing significant change in soil heave and root plate lift